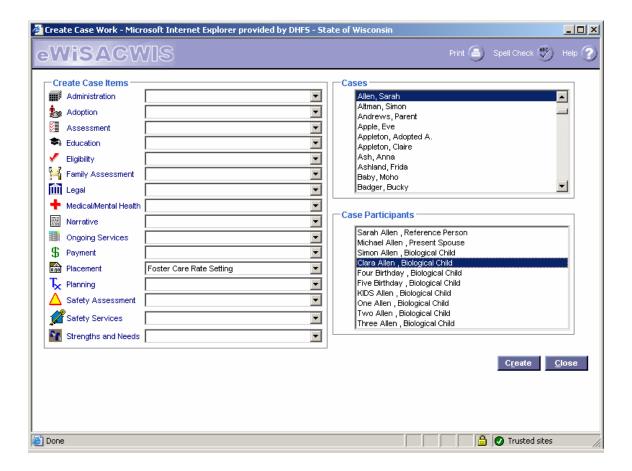
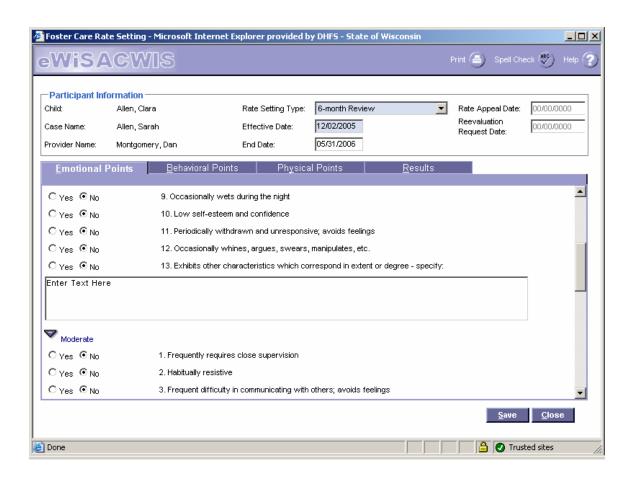
# Uniform Foster Care Rate Setting

## **Creating an Initial Foster Care Rate Setting**

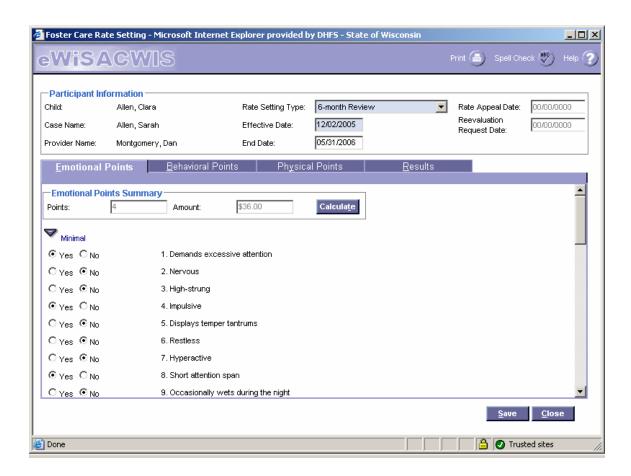
1. From the desktop, go up to Create>Casework>Placement>Foster Care Rate Setting. Select the appropriate case and the participant. Select Create.



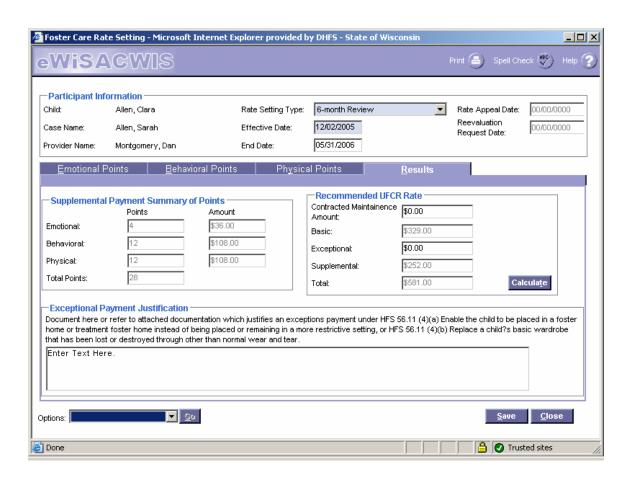
- 2. The Foster Care Rate Setting Page consists of the Participant Information Group Box. The box will contain the child's name, case name, provider name, Rate Setting Type (drop down values), effective date and end date. The effective date can not be prior to the first out of home placement and can not overlap with another valid Rate Setting. The end date which is optional on a rate setting can not be more than 6 months in the future from the effective date. The end date will end the Foster Care Rate setting (exceptional and supplemental amounts) but not the Basic and Administrative Rates. The Rate Appeal Date box and the Reevaluation Request Date box will become enabled based on the appropriate Rate Setting Type that is selected.
- 3. The first tab is Emotional Points. There are three categories in which to review; Minimal, Moderate, and Intensive. Under each category is a list of statements which require a 'yes' or 'no' answer. All statements will default to 'no' unless the 'yes' radio button is selected. There is also a user entered text area under each category to justify the reasons for the Exceptional Payment.



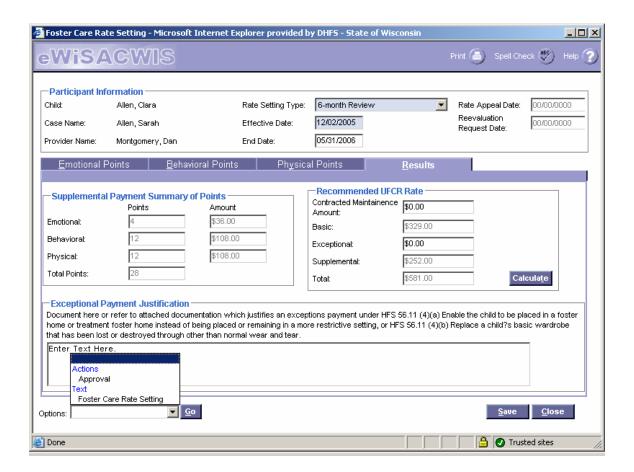
- 4. Upon completion of the tab, go back to the top of the tab and select the 'Calculate' button. This will add the points and determine a dollar amount for the category. Always remember to select the 'Save' button each time you advance to the next tab. This will save the work completed on the current and previous tabs.
- 5. Complete the same process for the Behavioral and Physical Points tabs.



- 6. The Results tab will add all of the points by category and calculate the correct dollar amount based on the points entered in the Supplemental Payment Summary of Points box. The box to the right is the Recommended UFCR Rate. The Contracted Maintenance Amount and Exceptional fields are user entered. The Basic and Supplemental fields will pre-fill. If a Contracted Rate or Exceptional Rate is added, use the 'Calculate' button to re-determine the correct dollar amount. The Contracted Maintenance amount field should be used for Treatment Foster Home Placement in which the county has a specific negotiated rate with that provider.
- 7. The Exceptional Payment Justification box is a user entered narrative field.



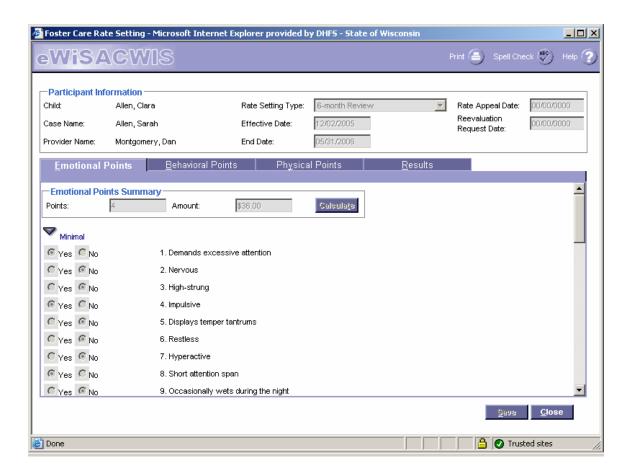
8. The 'Options' drop down list will allow the user to Approve the Foster Care Rate Setting or to view and print out Foster Care Rate Setting document.



### Ending the Foster Care Rate Setting

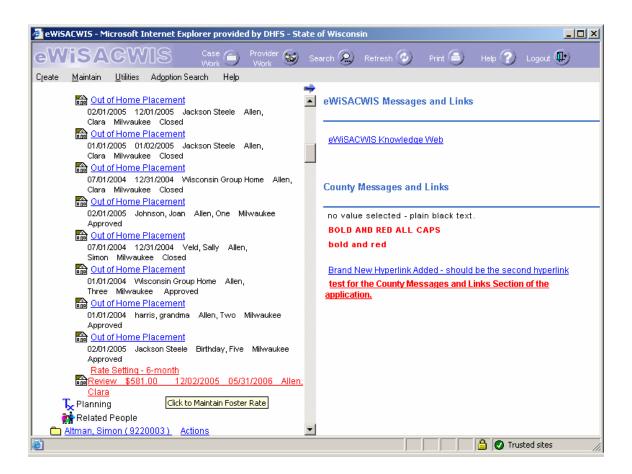
There are three ways to end the Foster Care Rate Setting:

1. When creating the Foster Care Rate Setting, the user can enter an end date in the end date field in the Participant Information Group Box. This will end the Foster Care Rate Setting but will continue paying the Basic and Administrative amounts. The end date can not be more than six months in the future from the effective date.

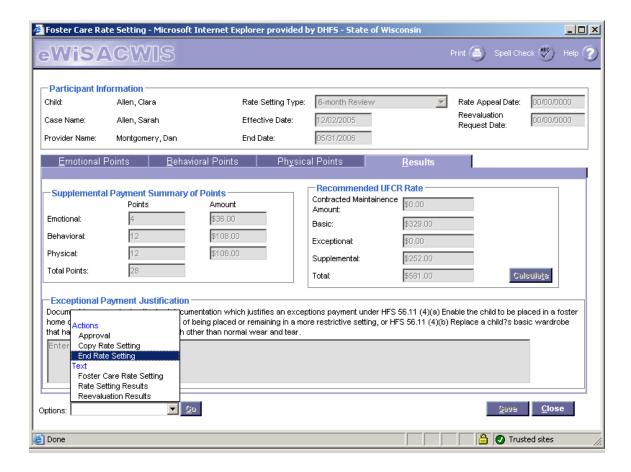


2. Ending the Placement will automatically end the Foster Care Rate Setting.

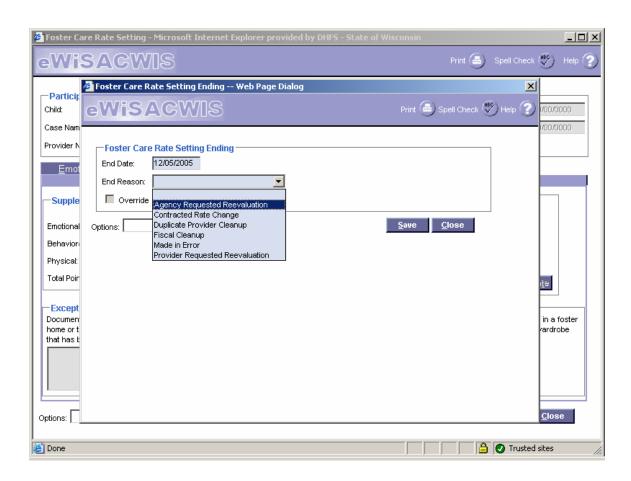
3. The Foster Care Rate Setting can also be manually closed by accessing the appropriate Rate Setting for the case outliner.



• Go to the Results tab and select 'End Rate Setting' from the 'Options' drop down values.



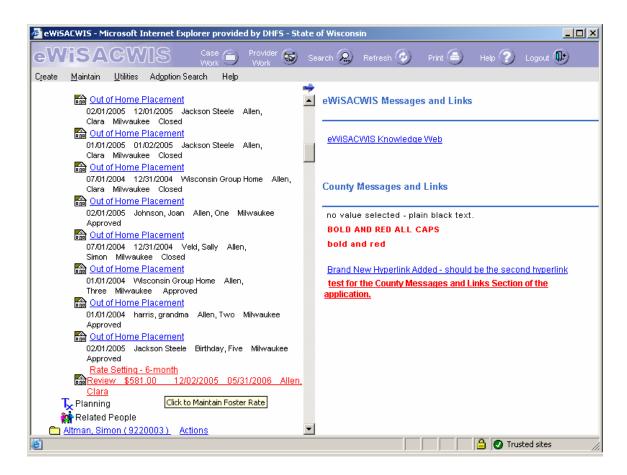
- Enter the appropriate end date and select an end reason from the drop down values. Under 'Options' select 'approve'. This will manually end the Foster Care Rate Setting.
- The over-ride checkbox is enabled only if the rate setting ending is fully approved and any subsequent rate settings were ended for the reason of 'Made in Error' or were Not Approved. This check box will allow the user to change the reason and date for which the rate setting ended even after approval of the rate setting ending. After selecting the check box, the End Reason and End Date fields will become enabled. If a user selects the end reason of 'Made in Error', the end date will be equal to the effective date.



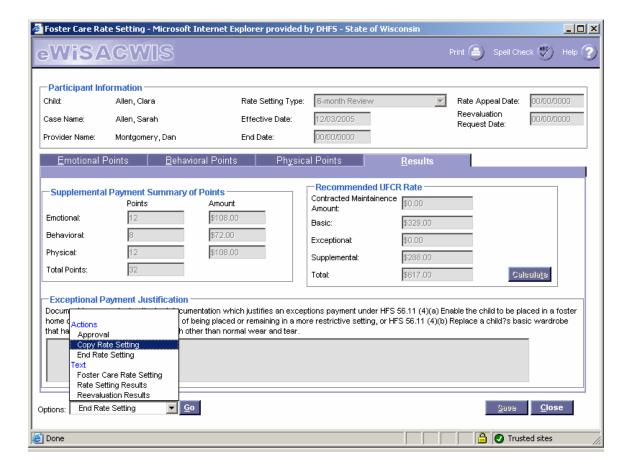
## **Copy-Over Feature**

Foster Care Rate Setting can be copied-over from the current open rate setting to a new one if there have <u>not</u> been any changes to the current period. For example; the placement and the points can not be changed. If there is a change, the current rate setting must be ended and a new rate setting created.

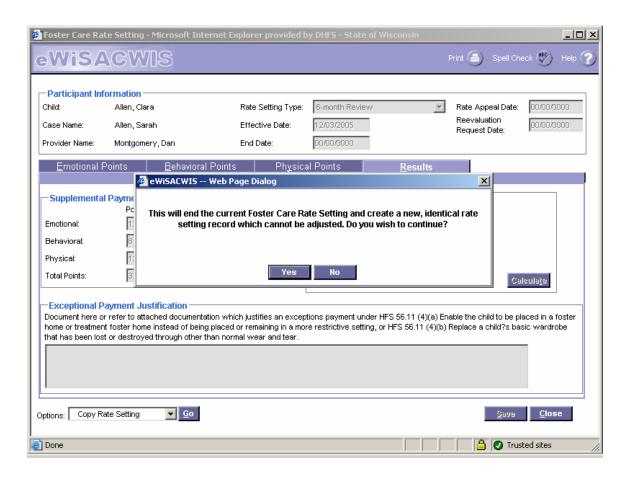
1. The Foster Care Rate Setting can be copied-over by accessing the appropriate Rate Setting for the case outliner.



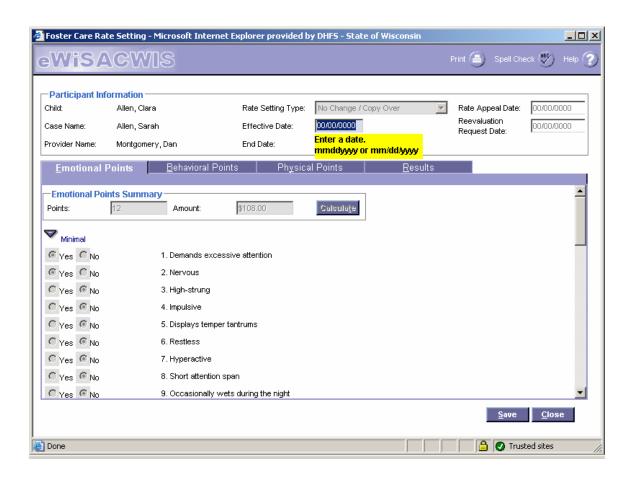
2. Go to the Results tab and select 'Copy Rate Setting' from the 'Options' drop down values.



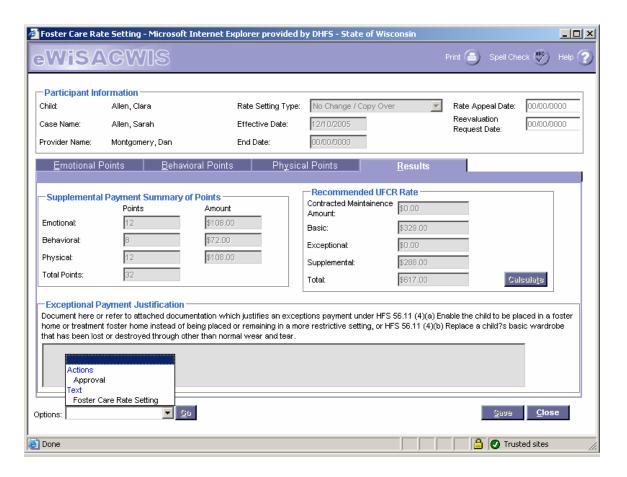
3. A pop-up message will appear stating the current rate setting will end and create an identical record that can not be changed. Do you wish to continue? Select 'Yes'.



4. The rate Setting Type will default to 'No Change/Copy Over' and the user will be required to enter a new effective date. The new effective date may be a future date but no more than 30 days from the current date and within the same calendar year. The rest of the page will be view only.



5. Go over to the Results tab, under 'Options', the new Foster Care Rate Setting Template can be accessed and printed. The new Foster Care Rate Setting must also be approved under the 'Options' drop down value.



#### **Ticklers**

Foster Care Rate Setting ticklers will be created based on 6 months from the Rate Setting Effective Date. Upon final approval of a Foster Care Rate Setting End, all associated rate setting ticklers will be deleted.